

# STATE ADVISORY GROUP (SAG) MEETING Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention 100 Community Place Crownsville, MD 21032 Monday, January 7, 2019 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

# **Meeting Minutes**

# **Participating Members:**

Heather Chapman, Chair

Michelle Becote-Jackson, Vice Chair

Kara Aanenson

Kirsten Anderson

Marone Brown

Meg Butler for Senator Justin Ready (phone)

Lynn Davis

Sgt. Kathy Estrada

Eric Ford

Crystal Foretia (phone)

Musa Hammett

Annie Hansen-Combs

Lynette Holmes for Secretary Sam Abed

Grayson McNew

Elizabeth "Liz" Park

Gavin Patashnick

Janelle Riddick (phone)

Heidi Rochon

Kimberly Sauer

Melanie Shapiro

Judge Michael Stamm (phone)

Darren Stephenson

Jennifer Winter

#### **Guests:**

Gianna Rodriguez, Fusion Partnerships, Inc.

#### Staff:

Angela Cromwell, Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention William Jernigan, Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention Sabraya Knight, Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention Jessica Wheeler, Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention Jaclin Warner Wiggins, Governor's Office of Children Lauren Molineaux, Governor's Office for Children Natalie DeVries, Governor's Office for Children Christina Drushel-Williams, Governor's Office for Children Christopher Miele, Governor's Office for Children

## I. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. Members and guests introduced themselves.

## II. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Andersen made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Ford seconded the motion. All members were in favor and the minutes were approved.

# III. Fusion Partnerships, Inc. Presentation

Ms. Rodriguez provided members with a presentation of the Fusion Partnership, Inc.'s Youth Arts Studio Apprentice program, which is currently in its second year of funding from the State Advisory Group. The program supports arts training and transitional employment for youth who have had contact with the Baltimore City Juvenile Justice Center. Programs such as the Studio Apprenticeship allow for youth to participate in multiple artistic projects, including a current project designing a mural for the Maryland Office of the Public Defender and a campaign to write and connect with youth currently involved in the juvenile justice system.

# IV. Subcommittee Reports

#### a. Recruitment, Training, and Regionalization

Ms. Chapman informed members of two recent resignations, Mr. Robert Johnson and Ms. Lynn Davis. A candidate has been identified and interviewed for one of the vacancies and is awaiting appointment. Members were asked to assist with recruitment efforts to fill the remaining vacancy for a representative of a public school system with a focus on special education. In addition, two youth are currently awaiting appointment to the SAG.

## b. Disproportionate Minority Contact

Mr. Jernigan provided members with an overview of the Coalition of Juvenile Justice's Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Conference, which took place on November 27-30, 2018. Mr. Jernigan commended members of the SAG who attended and/or presented at the conference. He also shared positive feedback from conference attendees. Members discussed the feasibility of hosting the conference again in the future should the opportunity present itself.

Mr. Jernigan also reminded members of the presentations they received at the November SAG meeting on the Pennsylvania Youth and Law Enforcement Disproportionate

Minority Contact Curriculum as well as the Baltimore County Police Department's JOINS Program. Members requested additional budgetary information on adopting and implementing the programs in Maryland. Mr. Jernigan will obtain additional details and convene a Diversion Workgroup meeting in the near future to discuss next steps.

# c. Grant Monitoring

Ms. Becote-Jackson informed members that the subcommittee's next site visit will be January 30, 2019 at the Lead4Life, Inc. in Frederick County. All members are invited and encouraged to attend site visits to learn more about the sub grantees that are funded through the SAG and provide technical assistance, when possible.

## d. Emerging Leaders

Ms. Knight informed members that an Emerging Leaders subcommittee meeting will be planned in the near future. Members will discuss their goals for 2019 and review options for involvement such as a letter writing campaign to youth in confinement and also a statewide art contest which invites youth to submit art based on their perspective of law enforcement and youth

# V. Juvenile Justice Specialist Updates

Ms. Wheeler informed members that the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA) was reauthorized at the end of December 2018 and is now the Juvenile Justice Reform Act of 2018. Members were provided with preliminary information on pertinent changes in the Act. States are awaiting additional guidance from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention which is tasked with drafting regulations for the Act.

# VI. Closed Discussion - Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

Members went into a closed session to discuss the FY 2020 Title II Formula Grant.

## VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2019 at 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD 21032